IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

KILIBWA

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For: POLYEXTROSE AS ANTI-STALING AGENT

<u>PETITION AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u> (THREE MONTHS)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time up to and including January 23, 2003 for the purpose of permitting the timely filing of an Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 submitted concurrently herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the \$930.00 extension fee to deposit account No. 50-0462. Moreover, the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account no. 50-0462 for any additional fees associated with this response and/or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-0462.

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I certify that this document, along with any document referred to as being attached, is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on January 23, 2003_as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. §1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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